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Interesting particulars are given by the "London correspondent of the Liverpool Courier" relating to a new fast Crown-subsidized rail and steamship service which is planned to operate between London and Sydney, with the result that the journey between those centres will be reduced to exactly twenty-one days. It will then be possible to go from London to Winnipeg, a distance of more than 3,400 miles, in the short period of five days. Twenty-six steamers having smaller displacement than the Mauretania will run from Blackpool, a new harbour on the north-west coast of Ireland, to Cape St. Charles, Labrador, in three days. From here to Winnipeg mails and passengers will be carried over an air-line railway in another 36 hours. From the Manitoba Metropolis to the Pacific Coast one of the three routes is to be determined upon by the promoters of the "Imperial All-Red Route," as the latest highway to the Antipodes is henceforth to be known. The lowering of the time of the passage between London and New York, as well as Toronto, Detroit, Chicago, and other American and Canadian cities, is an important consideration in the working out of the new project, for by the Blackpool-Cape St. Charles route and Quebec it is claimed that one day may be gained over the existing schedule maintained by the Mauretania and Labrador between Liverpool and New York. This great highway through England, Scotland and Ireland across the Atlantic to Labrador, across British North America, and diversely across the Pacific to Yokohama, Shanghai, Auckland, and Sydney is planned to serve the purpose of war as well as the pursuit of peace. Sir Thomas Troubridge, of London, and others who are working with him in the matter of construction work upon the railway which is to connect Blackpool with the northern cross country routes of the Irish railway system, terminating at Larne, on the North Channel, near Belfast, where wireless communication will be effected with St. John's, on the Scottish coast near Inverness.

JAPAN'S SHIPPING TRADE IN CHINA.

In relation to the trade with China another official statement has been issued, this time by the Communications Department, states the Japan Mail. As to the extent to which the shipping trade has suffered on account of the second revolution in China, says the official statement, no investigations have yet been made, but reports coming from different quarters point to the fact that the damage sustained by the shipping companies is very great. Japanese vessels in Chinese waters are engaged chiefly in carrying cargo, and do not cater for the passenger trade. Since the outbreak of the present disturbance freights have been gradually falling off and at present some vessels are in ballast (i.e. want of cargo). A panic is feared should the present trouble last much longer.

NEW MILLIONAIRES.

One of the richest women in England to-day is the Hon. Margaret Helen Grosvenor, daughter-in-law of the second Baron Grosvenor.

On her marriage she received a very large fortune from her father, the Right Hon. William Grosvenor, formerly Liberal M.P. for Central Edinburgh, and chairman of Messrs. William McEwan and Co., the Edinburgh brewers, and under his will, which has just been proved, she inherits the bulk of his property, which is valued for probate at £1,601,250. Mrs. Grosvenor is a widow, her husband, Captain Ronald Grosvenor, who was heir to the father's peerage, having died in 1908.

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THE CHINA MAIL

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE RAILWAY DISASTER.

THEIR MAJESTIES' SYMPATHY.

LONDON, Sept. 5.
The King and Queen have telegraphed to those distressed by the railway disaster at Aigill, heartily sympathizing with the injured and the relatives of the dead. Their Majesties are being kept informed of the condition of the injured.

THE DUBLIN RIOTS.

CENSURING THE GOVERNMENT.

LONDON, Sept. 5.
The Five Miners Executive have passed a resolution condemning the Government's action in Dublin, and demanding a special Session of Parliament.

DETERMINED ACTION OF THE EMPLOYERS.

The employers at Dublin have carried the war into the enemy's country. Four hundred masters have passed a resolution to the effect that, while they are friendly to Trades Unionism, they are of the opinion that the position created by the Irish Transport Union is intolerable. Therefore they would not employ members of that Union and would dismiss any recalcitrant workman without distinction of Union.

CONSTERNATION IN THE CITY.

The Dublin masters' decision has caused great consternation in the city, as it means practically a general lock-out of 30,000 men of all industries, shipping being especially effected.

DUBLIN THREATENED WITH A TERRIBLE WAR.

A telegram from Dublin states that the Trade Union delegates, the Lord Mayor, and the authorities are conferring with a view to settlement. The Lord Mayor has publicly appealed to the masters and men to elect a Conciliation Board, and says that a short truce will save Dublin from the horrors of a terrible war.

AN INQUIRY PROMISED.

TIME NOW IS OPPORTUNE.

LONDON, Sept. 5.
In response to the demand of the Dublin Corporation for an inquiry into police methods during the riots, the Under Secretary for Ireland has intimated that it is impossible to institute an inquiry until order is fully restored, and pending the issue of legal proceedings which are being taken. He promises a searching investigation at the earliest possible moment. Estimates of the workless in Dublin range from 3,000 to 20,000.

MONTENEGRO'S KEEPING THEIR ARMS READY.

LONDON, Sept. 4.
King Nicholas, in a demobilization order, expressed his gratitude to the gallant Army, which had driven back their hereditary enemy. He exhorts the soldiers to hang up their arms and devote themselves to peace, but to keep their arms always ready.

CONFLAGRATION AT MANCHESTER.

ENORMOUS DAMAGE.

LONDON, Sept. 4.
The great bonded stores of Manchester containing quantities of oil, bacon, provisions, three thousand bales of cotton and two thousand cases of print goods have been destroyed by fire, and the damage is placed at not less than a quarter of a million pounds.

DAMAGE ESTIMATED AT £100,000.

The damage at Manchester is now estimated at £100,000.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

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A MILLIONAIRE DUKE.

THE SUTHERLAND ESTATE.

LONDON, Sept. 5.
The Duke of Sutherland has left £1,250,000, practically the whole of which he has bequeathed to relatives and servants.

DERBY WINNER SOLD.

"ABOVEYUR" GOES TO RUSSIA.

LONDON, Sept. 5.
Aboveyur, the winner of the Derby, has been purchased for Russia. The price has not transpired. The horse will join Minora at the Gallop More stud, near Kharkoff.

THE POPE INDISPOSED.

COMPLETE REST ORDERED.

LONDON, Sept. 5.
A Rome message states that the Pope is suffering from a cold, accompanied by hoarseness. The doctors have ordered a complete rest, but His Holiness insists on receiving pilgrims.

BRITISH M.P.'S IN AUSTRALIA.

LONDON, Sept. 5.
A Melbourne telegram states that in the House of Representatives the voting on the vote of censure motion was equal—32 to 32—and it was rejected on the casting vote of the Speaker. Five members on each side were absent. The vote had reference to the entertainment of the British Members of Parliament.

EX-KING MANOEL'S WEDDING.

LONDON, Sept. 5.
A telegram from Sigmaringen states that Dom Manoel was married to Augusta, Victoria of Hohenzollern in the presence of his mother, members of the German royal families, the Prince of Wales and the Duchess of Aosta. Altogether, eighty members of royal families were present. After the civil ceremony, in the castle, a service was held in the Church, Cardinal Noto, ex-Patriarch of Lisbon, officiating. The father of the bride, in a speech at the banquet, reminded his daughter of a wife's duties to her husband, and referred to repeated unions in the past half-century between the ancient Houses of Portugal and Hohenzollern, which had been rich in blessing.

PAINTERS' STRIKE IN LONDON.

TENSION INCREASED.

LONDON, Sept. 4.
Ninety-one firms have acceded to the painters' demand for an extra three half-pence per hour, and the employers of these firms have returned to work, but the increase, amounting to over 6s. weekly each, must be contributed to a fund to support the men whose firms are still holding out.

Earl Beauchamp, on behalf of the Board of Works, has refused to comply with the Trade Unionist demands to dismiss non-Unionists, and this combined with the painters' refusal of the masters' offer, has increased the tension. In London districts the men today have pledged themselves to continue the strike.

DISSATISFACTION OF BRITISH POSTAL EMPLOYEES.

LONDON, September 4.
The report of the Select Committee with regard to conditions prevailing at the Post Office has been received with dissatisfaction by different sections of employees. At a meeting of the London branch of the Postal and Telegraph Administration a resolution was carried deciding not to enter into negotiations regarding the recommendations in the report, but to demand instead an immediate increase of wages commensurate with the increased cost of living.

The Birmingham branch passed a similar resolution, and a national conference to consider the attitude of the postmen will open at Birmingham on the 20th instant.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

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COUNTY CRICKET CHAMPIONSHIP.

THE PERCENTAGES.

LONDON, Sept. 5.
The following is the result of the County Cricket Championship:—
Percentage
Kent.....81.43
Yorkshire.....70.37
Surrey.....63.30

OBITUARY.

LONDON, Sept. 5.
The death is announced of General Slade.

THE LABOUR UNREST.

TROUBLE INCREASING.

LONDON, Sept. 5.
The labour unrest is increasing daily. Minor local troubles are frequent. The chief railway centres are urging the Executive of the National Union of Railwaymen to terminate Conciliation Boards.

THE NECKLACE THEFT.

VALUABLE PEARLS RECOVERED.

LONDON, Sept. 5.
It is reported that two pearls valued at £12,000 belonging to the famous £150,000 pearl necklace lost in the post between Paris and London, have been recovered.

TO DISSOLVE JEWELLERY TRUST.

AMERICAN ATTORNEY GENERAL TAKES ACTION.

LONDON, Sept. 5.
A New York telegram states that the Attorney-General has instituted a suit for the dissolution of the alleged jewellery combine, composed of manufacturers and wholesale dealers, and involving several hundred firms and individuals.

LOVERS MISTAKEN FOR RABBIT.

Shot While Sitting on Rifle Range.

Two lovers, Walter Nash, of Cliford-knot, and Harriet Lightfoot, New-street, Barrow-in-Furness, were shot whilst sitting on the Rouse Rifle Range, and a youth named Ernest Wilson was remanded in connection with the affair. Wilson went to the range with members of the Lancashire Fusiliers, and taking up a rifle fired at the lovers, who, it is explained, he thought were rabbits. The couple heard the discharge of a gun, and at the same time received quite a number of shots about the head, face, and arms. It was feared that their case was serious, but they were removed to the North Lonsdale Hospital, where their wounds were dressed, and they are progressing towards recovery. It was dark when the accident occurred, and neither the youth Wilson nor the Fusiliers, it is said, had any light on the range.

WIDOW LOSES £150,000.

Fortune Left by Her Husband to Strengthen German Army.

A remarkable instance of the effect of the patriotic propaganda in favour of the Army Bill is recorded today. It was publicly announced that a German landowner named Hoyer, lately deceased, had left all his property to the Emperor.

The will, which is now published, provides that the estate, which is estimated at from £100,000 to £150,000, shall go to the Emperor reigning at the time of the testator's death, and none of the German army and navy. The will is dated early in the present year, and was obviously made under the influence of the agitation on behalf of the Army Bill.

ALPINE VICTIMS.

THREE FRENCH TOURISTS KILLED AND A GIRL SERIOUSLY INJURED.

Three tourists have been killed while ascending the Tour Solitaire. They were M. Budin, aged 28, an analytical chemist of Paris, M. Marcel Gellieul, a student of medicine in Paris, and a friend of the latter who had come on a visit to Argentures, and had not yet returned to the hotel, the proprietor of which knew him by the name of Bachelon. Madeleine Reut, Malvern, a girl 18 years of age, fell about 100 feet on the Solitaire mountain, and was killed. The body of a young man named Bachelon was found about 100 feet from the spot where the young man named Bachelon was found. A rescue party after great difficulty succeeded in reaching the spot, and the girl was taken to hospital seriously injured.

TYPHOON WARNINGS.

The following telegrams were received at the American Consulate General last night:—
Manila, 6 p.m. September 4.
Typhoon in or about 110° Long East and 20° Lat. N. moving W. N. W.
Another telegram sent from Manila at 10.15 this morning states:—
Typhoon in or about 115° Long East and 20° Lat. N. almost stationary.

CANTIER CATERING ABROAD.

A subject that has caused much discussion in House papers of late, in the manner in which the sum of £30,000 accumulated profits of the South African Garrison Institution should be disbursed. The Committee of that institution, we learn, are in favour of using it to set up a colonial establishment to cater for the outposts of the Army at home, having allowed for the headquarters of the concern. "Truth" supports the project but the Aldershot papers unanimously condemn it as prejudicial to the interests of the troops and the towns. They state that the troops would be without a free market in which to purchase. When Mr. Clavell Salter, M. P. for North Hants recently raised the question in the House of Commons, he was informed that the proposal was only in its incipient stage.

We do not intend to enter into any controversy as to the merits of the project being established at home, or the principles involved, but in the "China Mail" some months ago we advocated the issue of colonial allowance to the troops in China, at the same time suggesting that some system be devised by which soldiers and their families abroad might obtain provisions at a rate of purchase more in keeping with their pay than that existing at Hongkong.

We now say that in view of this large sum of £30,000 being brought to the public notice, a portion of the money should be devoted to financing the inauguration of institutions at various military stations abroad, where the conditions are somewhat similar to those obtaining in Hongkong, and which proved such a striking success in South Africa.

From enquiries made of those who have served in South Africa, the feeling is almost unanimous as to the advantages to be derived by the troops from a concern run on similar lines to the South African Garrison Institution. Prices are lower than those obtaining outside, as they should be, with no rent to pay any such like burdens, which fall heavily on the civilian trader. Further, the revenue derived at intervals comes in very handy to the married soldier, and to the single soldier too, by assisting in the upkeep of report, mending, etc.

EUGENIC MARRIAGES.

Law for Their Enforcement in the States.

The Washington correspondent of "The Times," in a dispatch dated the 3rd ult., says:—
Considerable interest has been aroused by a law which went into effect in Pennsylvania yesterday to enforce eugenic marriage system. The gist of the law is that couples will have to produce medical certificates before marriage. Wisconsin, which is one of the most eugenic progressive States in the Union, has passed a similar law against marriages of the unfit through one branch of the Legislature, and various other States are likely to follow suit. All this is an illuminating manifestation of the strength of the movement for social paternalism, which in recent years has become one of the most significant American tendencies. It will probably surprise English readers to learn that eight States, including New York and New Jersey, have laws permitting the sterilization by an operation, it is true, that can be subsequently cancelled, of hopeless criminals and degenerates. The working of this law, however, throws into relief another American characteristic. To pass a statute is on this side of the Atlantic by no means to use it. Only in two States, California and Indiana, has the sterilization law been enforced, and even in Indiana the exact California statistics are unavailable. The number of operations, which was about 200 a few years ago, has fallen greatly.

ENDORSEMENT OF THE PARAGRAPH.

A correspondent writing to "The Times" says:—
The interesting dispatch of your Washington correspondent affords evidence of the growing importance which is being attached in many quarters to the question of parenthood.

Your correspondent says that the law now in force in Pennsylvania obliging couples to produce medical certificates before marriage is an illustration of the strength of the movement for social paternalism, one of the most significant American tendencies. I have seen this movement described as being more suited to the stockyard and the poultry farm than for human society. But are not the Americans on the right road? I am not aware that there is any system of national health insurance (so-called) in force in the United States. The Howard and peaceful American seems to be equally strong to resist the attacks of disease than to allow of the unrestricted multiplication of individuals destined to perpetuate it.

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"The principle of eugenic marriage is not a new one. It has always been recognized by intelligent people, though not always acted upon. Forty-two years ago Charles Darwin laid it down in memorable words which I beg leave to quote. He said:—

"Man scans with scrupulous care the character and pedigree of his horses, cattle, and dogs before he matches them; but when he comes to his own marriage he is impelled by nearly the same motives as the lover animals when they are left to their own free choice, though he is far superior to them in his ability to value mental character and physique. On the other hand he is strongly attracted towards this end by selection do something not only for the bodily constitution and frame of his offspring, but for their intellectual and moral qualities. Both sexes ought to refrain from marriage if they are in any marked degree weaker in body or mind; but such hopes are Utopian and will never be even partially realized until the laws of inheritance are thoroughly known. Every one does good service who aids towards this end. When the principles of breeding and inheritance are better understood, we shall not have ignorant members of our Legislature rejecting with scorn a plan for ascertaining whether or not consanguineous marriages are injurious to man." ("Descent of Man," Part III, Chapter xii.)

These words should make us pause before casting ridicule upon the experiments now being made in the United States.

"OLD MOORE'S" PROGRAMME FOR 1914.

"Old Moore" has come out with diabolical prophecies for the year 1914. In the first quarter a royal personage is to die and later there is to be a "death in high circles" and an unsuccessful attempt to resign a popular Minister. A startling series of disasters is predicted, including terrible fires, earthquakes, gales, and pestilences. The anniversary is varied by a happy interval in September, when a Russian may be happily arranged. Taxpayers' women are to be enchanted in the spring. And there is to be much trouble, including the removal of the Turkish empire from the map, massacres, and high-dangerous disputes between big Powers.

DICKENS' CHAIR AT AUCTION.

Charles Dickens' cherry wood chair, used by him at God's Hill, realised £250 at Sotheby's recently.

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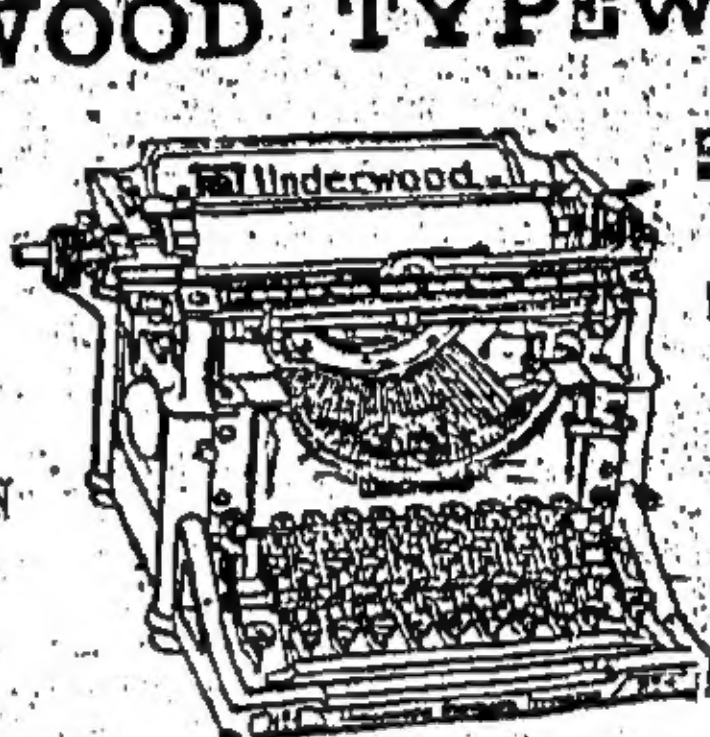
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